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The publication contains twenty-two articles dealing with the coinage of ancient and medieval Armenia, and modern medals. Also twenty-six book reviews published during the past few decades are reprinted in this book.

These essays and reviews are scattered in scholarly periodicals and newspapers such as *Armenian Life, Armenian Mirror-Spectator, Armenian Numismatic Journal, Armenian Observer, Armenian Reporter, Armenian Weekly, Asbarez, Baikar, Bazmavep, The Celator, Coin World, Haigazian Armenological Review, Kir ou Kirk, Lraber, NI Bulletin, Nor Gyank, SAN* (Journal of the Society of Ancient Numismatics), and *World Coin News*.

The *Armenian Numismatic Studies III* makes available all of Nercessian's research papers to the entire numismatic community. The book to hand includes the author's four unpublished articles.

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NUMISMATIC LITERATURE TO ARMENIA

On March 24, 2017, copies of *Armenian Numismatic Studies III* were airmailed to the History Museum of Armenia in Yerevan.

LETTERS AND E-MAILS TO THE EDITOR

Շատ ցաւում եմ որ առաջին նամակս 100 դոլար չէքը չստացաք։ Այս երկրորդ չէքն է որ ներփակում եմ Ձեր հասցէին. յոյսով եմ այս անգամ Ձեր ձեռքը կը հասնի։ Խնդրեմ երբ նամակս ստանաք ինձ հեռաձայնէք։ Գէորգ Մովսէսեանի քոյրը,
Նէնէթ Մերամեթճեան

Thank you for the gift you sent along with ANS III. Please find enclosed the dues for 2017.
Aram Manasaryan

This is Kamran. I have been studying Iran related and Iranian medals for almost 6 years, since 2010. My aim is to gather the vastly scattered information, which has been fading over past decades, in the hope that I share it with others in a book or on a website.

There is a long common history of Armenian-Iranian people in the region and that is the essence of many artifacts and numismatic items. Therefore, I am writing to you to get some help on what I am doing.

There are many well-known examples of such items, especially in connection with Russia. Mikhail E. Diakov has listed many Iran related medals produced in Russia (St. Petersburg) in his book; "Medals of The Russian Empire".

Although, I knew about 1827 bronze medal of capture or Yerevan (Diakov 467.1 and 2, struck in Tabriz, picture attached) but could find very interesting information when I read your *Journal*, Ser. II, Vol 6. The Journal describes the medals with extensive details while addressing some held in Armenian museums. I have already contacted and in touch with two museums in Yerevan for the subject and hoping to visit them in summer.

Hence, I would like to kindly ask for your expertise in this regards. I appreciate any hint that may lead me to finding more information related to the subject. →

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It could be name of reference/reading materials that has addressed the medals, museums/institutions that may hold such items or the contact information of institutions/individuals (university, museum, library, scholar, numismatist, collector, dealer, book seller, etc.) that may have related information.

I have visited/contacted many museums, libraries and other institution in Europe and Iran to collect information related to the medals and I am hoping to visit Armenia as well.

I would like to thank you for your time and consideration on my request. I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

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...Just to be specific here, I would like to find pictures of gold and silver medals of 1827 Capture of Yerevan. The other information related to the medal is perfectly given in your Journal/Article...

Kamran Fateh

Thank you so much! Thanks to you, we have an entire Armenian section that is well stocked. I looked up your list in our catalog and compared it to what was on our shelves. These books will fill in the gaps nicely. And thank you for sending N10 (K. H. Mkrchian).
I look forward to receiving the package.

David Hill
Francis D. Campbell Librarian
American Numismatic Society

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INFORMATION

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NUMISMATIC LITERATURE REACHED ARMENIA

Նախ շատ ուրախ եմ եմ, որ դուք այդքան նվիրումով շարունակում եք օգնել մեր թանգարանին, միշտ մնալով դրամագիտության բաժնի բարեկամը ...: Խորին հարգանքով
Արմինե Զոհրաբյան

Այսօր [3/30/2017] ՀՊԹ գրադարանավարուհին ինձ հանձնեց փոստից բերած ծանուցումը, ես գնացի ու ստացա Ձեր ուղարկած 9 գիրք պարունակող ծանրոցը, որը բերեցի և հանձնեցի գրադարանավարուհուն: Հարգանքներով
Ռուբեն Վարդանյան

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I hope you are doing well. Many new things are happening at the Armenian Numismatic and Antiquarian Society. We will keep you posted. I am enjoying my Armenian heritage thru the coins – thanks to you and others. Chuck Hajinian

We thank you for your book on *Armenian Numismatic Studies III* and enclosed is my donation of $25.00. Keep up the good work you have done down through the years.

I just had Haig Dermoyan, the director of the Armenia Museum in Yerevan come to my house to pick up 70 glass plate slides taken by the Near East Organizations of pictures of survivor refugees taken in 1918-1923 as a donation to the Museum in behalf of my survivor parents of the Armenian Genocide of 1915-1923. Stephen Dulgarian

Thank you for your gift of the book *Hayots dramakan miavorner / Armenian Monetary Units.* Your donation will be placed in our collection and be made available to students, scholars, researchers, and the general public. In this way, your contribution, of great value to all, will be available to generations to come

We are encouraged by your friendship and continued participation in your work.

Ara Sanjian, Director,
The University of Michigan-Dearborn

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LATEST

[California] State Senate Committee Approves $3 [+$1 from last year] Million for Armenian American Museum. *Asbarez,* Vol. 109 (Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, 2017), No. 15,500, p. 1, English Section. -- Ամերիկահայութեան թանգարանին յատկացուելիք գումարը 4 միլիոն տոլարի բարձրացնելու նախաքայլը առնուեցաւ. *Asbarez,* Vol. 109 (Thursday May 25, 2017), No. 15,499, p. 2, in Armenian; Three Million Dollars is Appropriated to the Armenian-American Museum -- Երեք միլիոն տոլար կը յատկացուի Հայ-Ամերիկեան Թանգարանին. *Asbarez,* Vol. 109 (Thursday, June 16, 2017), No. 15,512, p. 2, in Armenian; Քալիֆորնիոյ Օրէնսդիր Մարմինը հաստատեց Հայ-Ամերիկեան Թանգարանին 3 միլոնի յատկացումը. *Asbarez,* Vol. 109 (Saturday, June 17, 2017), No. 15,514, p. 1, in Armenian; California Legislature Approves Millions for Armenian American Museum and Genocide. *Asbarez,* Vol. 109 (Saturday, June 17, 2017), No. 15,514, p. 1, illustrated.

According to ***Hay Tzayn*** TV Program: The Central Bank of Armenia is studying the feasibility of replacing the paper bank notes with plastic or hybrid types because of their longevity.

According to ***Hay Tzayn*** TV Program: «Ամերիկահայության ճնշող մեծամասնությունը իրեն հայ չի զգում», «Վերջին տասը տարիների ընթացքում անկումային վիճակն է գերակայում ամերիկահայ գրահրատարկչական գործում [դրամագիտակա՞ն], քանի որ հայության լայն շրջանակները անտարբեր են, չեն հետաքրքրվում տվյալ ոլորտով....

ASBAREZ. Exceptional Armenian Art Examples are placed in Paris Auction [+ Tigranes the Great silver metallic coin] -- Հայկական արուեստի բացառիկ նմոյշներ աճուրդի կը դրուին Փարիզի մէջ [+ Տիգրան Մեծի արծաթէ մետաղադրամ]. *Asbarez,* Vol. 109 (Saturday, June 3, 2017), No. 15,504, p. 13, Armenian Section.

ASBAREZ. The Armenian Atlas is sold for $37,500 in New York Auction -- Հայերէն Ատլասը Նիւ Եորքի աճուրդին վաճառուած է 37,500 տոլարով. *Asbarez,* Vol. 109 (Wednesday, June 14, 2017), No. 15,511, p. 12, illus., in Armenian.

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POSTAGE STAMPS FOR SALE

1. William Saroyan. US 29 c stamp, 50 stamps per sheet. In mint state. each sheet $20
2. As above, each US stamp 0.50
3. William Saroyan. ASSR 1 r. stamp, 50 stamps per sheet. In mint state, each sheet 54
4. As above, each ASSR stamp 1
5. Saroyan US-ASSR balloon **FDC** 32
6. Saroyan US-ASSR Mt. Ararat **FDC** 8.50
7. Saroyan US-ASSR Fresno-Erevan **FDC,** prepared by Ararat Quarterly 8.50
8. Saroyan US-ASSR Fresno-Erevan **FDC,** Saroyan on the left side of cover 8.50
9. Saroyan US-ASSR Fresno-Erevan **FDC,** Saroyan in the middle, with the famous Saroyan statement, "I should like to see any power … see if they will not create a New Armenia" on the left side of cover 15
10. Three Saroyan covers in a black plastic wallet. One with Saroyan portrait (with hat), Saroyan youthful portrait, Saroyan with prominent mustache. All cancelled in US and ASSR 32
11. Armenian earthquake of 1988. Each sheet has nine block. each block has four stamps, Khatchkar, Tigranes II 20+10 kop., St. Hripsime Church 30+15 kop., Virgin Mary with Jesus 50+35 kop. Each sh. 50
12. Armenian earthquake of 1988 middle block of four stamp noted above 8
13. Armenian earthquake of 1988 **FDC** each has one block of 4 stamps noted above, cancelled in Erevan 20
14. Armenian earthquake of 1988 **FDC** each has two stamps, Khatchkar, Tigranes II 20+10 kop. Cancelled in Moscow on 27/12/1988 8
15. Armenian SSR. M. Saryan's painting on 6 kop. stamp, 15 stamps per sheet. One sheet 25
16. M. Saryan's painting as above, each stamp 2
17. Avedik Isahakian 4 k. stamp 1.75
18. Vakhtangova, three different stamps in set, each 10 k. all dated 1971, the set 5
19. Davith Anhaghth 4 k. stamp, 36 stamps per sheet, 1980. One sheet 50
20. As above each Anhaghth stamp 1.75
21. Aram Khatchaturian 4 k. stamp, 36 stamps per sheet, 1978. One sheet 50
22. Aram Khatchaturian 4 k. stamp, each 1.75
23. Aram Khatchaturian Postcard 4 k. stamp, **FDC** 6
24. Erebouni 4 k. stamp, 25 stamps per sheet, 1978. One sheet $50
25. Erebouni 4 k. stamp as above each 2.5
26. Erebouni 4 k. Postcard **FDC** 12-18/IX/1978 6
27. Erebouni 4 k. cover in mint state 3
28. Sassountsi Davith, 12 k. 1968, each stamp 2
29. Khatchkar 4 k. 36 stamps/sheet 1978. One sh. 50
30. Khatchkar 10 k. 25 stamps/sheet1978. One sh. 50
31. Khatchkar Postcard, 10 k. **FDC,** 12-18/IX/1978 6
32. Hakob Hakobian, 4 k. 1966, one stamp 1.75
33. Etchmiadzin, 6 k. 25 stamps per sheet, 1978. One sheet 50
34. Etchmiadzin as above 6 k. One stamp 2.5
35. Lenin Square (now Republic Square), 16 k. 25 stamps per sheet, 1978. One sheet 50
36. Lenin Square 16 k. as above, each stamp 2.5
37. Matenadaran 12 k. block of four with block numbers 6
38. Matenadaran 12 k. stamp, each 1.5
39. Matenadaran Postcard 12 k. **FDC** 18/09/1978 6
40. Armenian lady+bunch of grapes, 4 k. stamp 1.75
41. University of Yerevan, 4 k. 1970, each stamp 1.75
42. Shahumian, 4 k. 1978, each stamp 1.75
43. Erevan, city of, 40 k. 1970, each stamp 1.75
44. Sevan Lake Cover, 5 k. 1986, in mint state 2
45. Odzun Church Cover, 5 k. 1985, in mint state 2
46. Sayat Nova cover, 4 k. 1987, in mint state 2
47. Sayat Nova, 5 k. stamp, 1987, in mint state 1.75
48. Orbeli, 5 k. 1987, in mint state, each stamp 1.75
49. Orbeli Cover, 5 k., 1987, in mint state 2
50. Orbeli Postcard, 5 k. 1987, **FDC** 20/03/1987 6
51. Abeghian Manouk 4 k. 1965, each stamp 1.75
52. Komitas Vartabed 6 k. 1965, each stamp 1.75
53. Toramanian Cover 5+4 k. of Davith Anhaghth samp 5
54. Philatelic Cover 5 k. cancelled in Erevan with one seal 1984 4
55. Philatelic Cover as above canc. w/2 seals 1984 5
56. Vahan Terian cover 5 k. + 4 k. stamp of Aram Khatchaturian, in mint state 7
57. Vahan Terian Postcard 4 k. in mint state 3
58. Sundukian 4 k. 1975, each stamp 1.75
59. Sundukian Postcard 4 k. 1975, **FDC** 21/V/1976 5
60. Spendiarian 4 k. 1971, each stamp 1.75

61. Hayfil II mini Postcard, 4 k. 1975, Sassountsi Davith statue picture printed 4
62. Hayfil II mini Postcard as above, **FDC** 25/1-3/11/74 6
63. Hayfil I mini Postcard, 15 k. Lenin picture **FDC** 1974 4
64. Tigranes II mini Postcard, 20+10 k. 1990 calendar on the back 3
65. Den Pobedi mini Postcard, 4 k. 4-12/5/1974 2
66. Edmund Gallei, 1956-1742, 50 k. Souvenir sheet, cancelled in Moscow 2
67. M. Saryan 4 k. 1975, each stamp 1.75
68. ASSR flag and coat of arms' 4 k. 1960, canc. 2.5
69. ASSR flag and coat of arms' 4 k. 1967, stamp 2.5
70. ASSR 60th anniversary stamp, 36 stamps per sheet, 1980. One sheet 50
71. ASSR 60th anniversary, as above. Each stamp 2.5
72. Republic of Armenia 1918, eagle holding sword, 5 ruble, 50 stamps/sheet, unsure if it is authentic 40
73. Republic of Cyprus, stamps dedicated to the 1988 earthquake of Armenia 3 c., hand in the middle of infinity sign, 20 stamps per sheet. Each sheet 10
74. Republic of Cyprus, **FDC** dedicated to the 1988 earthquake of Armenia. Stamps on cover: 17c+7c+ 5c+3c, cancelled in Cyprus on 13/11/1989 6
75. Republic of Cyprus, 4 stamps, 1 set 3
76. Vatican. Nerses Shnorhali stamps. St. Hripsime 25 L. 40 stamps per sheet, St. Khatchkar, 90 L. 40 stamps per sheet, Nerses Shnorhali180 L. 40 stamps per sheet. All three sheets in mint state 300
77. Vatican. Nerses Shnorhali stamps. One complete set of three stamps in mint state 10
78. United States of America. 4 c. flag stamp, July 4, 1960, each 0.25
79. USA. 10 different US flags: Fort Moultrie 1776, Fort McHenry 1795-1818, Washington Cruisers 1775, Bennington 1777, Rhode Island 1775, First Stars and Stripes 1777, Bunker Hill 1775, Grand Union, 1776, Philadelphia Light Horse 1775, First Navy Jack 1775, each stamp is 6 c. Each mint strip 6
80. US Postal service. 10 different stamps in the strip, each stamp is 8 c. Each mint strip 8
81. Project Mercury, 4 c. stamps, 0.40
82. Project Mercury, as above but plate block of four stamps with plate number 2
83. Apollo-Soyuz 10 c. stamp 0.40
84. Apollo-Soyuz as above but plate block of four stamps with plate number 2
85. Decade of Achievement, United States in Space, 8 c., 50 stamps per sheet 25
86. First Man on the moon, United States in Space, 10 c., 32 stamps per sheet 25
87. First man on the moon as above but plate block of four stamps with plate number 2
88. 25th anniversary of the First man on the moon, 29 c., 12 stamps per sheet 7.50
89. XX Olympic Summer Games, 6 c. 1972 error reprint, 50 stamps per sheet 10
90. XX Olympic as before, but each stamp 0.25
91. Los Angeles 28 Jul 84 Olympic Flame 13, Postcard 1
92. First flight, Wright brothers (1903), 37 c., 2003 printing, 10 stamps per sheet. 7.50
93. Inverted airplane of 1918. Reprint. 6 stamps per sheet 20
94. Ronald Reagan Centennial, 37 c., 20 stamps per sheet. Each sheet 15
95. Ronald Reagan Centennial, Forever stamp, 20 stamps per sheet. Each sheet 15
96. Armenian Genocide covers, cancelled on April 24, 1990, in Detroit, MI 3
97. United Nations. Dag Hammarskjold, 4 c., 50 stamps per sheet 10
98. Armenian flag issued by UN 32 c. stamp. Each stamp 2.5
99. Armenian flag as above, set of four stamps mounted on display page with a narrative 20
100. Armenian Republic 1988. Independence of Armenia. Armenian flag over Mt. Ararat, 3 diff. units per sheet, 0.2+2+5, 60 stamps per sheet 120
101. Independence of Armenia stamps as above but half sheet, 30 stamps 60
102. Independence of Armenia stamps as above but one set of 3 stamps 3
103. Independence of Armenia stamps as above but **FDC** cancelled in Erevan on 28 May 1992 with the coat of arm of 1918 Republic 10
104. Independence of Armenia stamps as above but Souvenir sheet, tricolor eagle over Mt. Ararat, 7 units, May 28, 1992 14
105. AT&T, 0.5 unit, 50 stamps per sheet, 150
106. AT&T as above, one stamp 5
107. Treasures of Etchmiadzin. Vessel of Chrism, 50 units, 30 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
108. Treasures of Etchmiadzin. Cross with hand of St. Karapet 12 units, 30 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
109. Treasures of Etchmiadzin. Arm of St. Taddeus 30 units, 30 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
110. Treasures of Etchmiadzin. Holy Cross of Khotakerats, 5 units, 30 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
111. Treasures of Etchmiadzin. Descent from Cross, 3 units, 30 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
xx Above 5 sheets of Treasures of Etchmiadzin 250
112. Treasures of Etchmiadzin. **FDC**, includes 5 stamps 3+5+12+30+50 units, cancelled in Erevan on 04/08/94 10
113. International Philatelic Exhibition, Garni, 1993, 10 units, 50 stamps per sheet 50
114. International Philatelic Exhibition, Garni, 1993, 8 stamps per Souvenir sheet 10

115. International Philatelic Exhibition, Garni, 10 units on Garni cover, **FDC,** cancelled in Erevan on 25/05/93 7.5
116. International Philatelic Exhibition, Garni, 1993, 10 unit stamp in mint condition, each 1.75
117. Sassountsi Davith, souvenir sheet, 12 units, 1993 10
118. Noah's descent Souvenir sh. (Aivazovski S/S) 8
119. Karmir blur inscriptions 3 units, 50 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
120. Silver cup 20 units, 50 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
121. Goddess Waroubini 1.00 unit, 50 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
xx Above 3 sheets of Karmir Blur 150
122. Karmir Blur: Goddess Waroubini 1 unit, Karmir blur inscriptions 3 units, silver cup 20 units, 1993, three stamp set 6
123. Landscape, 5 different scenery, each scenery on different sheet, with 0.40+0.80+3.60+5.00+12.00 units, each sheet has 20 stamps, 1993, 5 sheets 200
124. Landscape, **FDC** 0.40+0.80+3.60+5.00+12.00 units, 5 stamps, cancelled in Erevan on 24/05/93 8
125. Shivini godddes of sun 0.1 unit, 50 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
126. Taishaba goddess of elements 0.5 units, 50 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
127. Khaldi the supreme goddess 10 units, 50 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
128. Coat of arms 25 units, 50 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
xx Above 4 sheets 200
129. Shivini goddess of sun 0.1 unit, Taishaba goddess of elements 0.5 unit, coat of arms 25 units, goddess Khaldi 10 units, four stamps 1993 6
130. Armenian flag 0.20 unit, 50 stamps per sheet, 1992 xx
131. Zvartnots Airport, 2.00 units, 50 stamps per sheet, 1992 xx
132. Anahit goddess, 3.00 units, 50 stamps per sheet, 1992 xx
133. Postal union, 5 units, 50 stamps per sh., 1992 xx
xx As above four sheets 200
134. Armenian flag, Zvartnots airport, Anahit goddess, Postal union, four stamps, (0.20,+2.00+ 3.00+5.00 units), **FDC** cancelled in Erevan on 25 August 1992 8
135. XXV Olympics, four different stamps, 0.4, 3.6, 5, and 12 units. 60 stamps per sheet 100
136. XXV Olympics, four different stamps, 0.4, 3.6, 5, and 12 units on 1992 Olympic cover. **FDC** cancelled in Erevan on 23 July 1992 10
137. Culture. Khatchkar, 0.4 units, 40 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
138. Culture. Gospel of 1295, 0.8 unit, 40 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
139. Culture. Gandzasar, 3.6 units, 40 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
140. Culture. Mother of God, 5 units, 40 stamps per sheet, 1993 xx
xx Above 4 sheets of Culture 200
141. Culture, **FDC** includes the above stamps of Khatchkar, Gospel of 1295, Gandzasar, Mother of God, cancelled in Erevan on 25/05/93 7.50
142. Culture 4 stamps, Khachkar 0.4, 1295 gospel 0.8, Gantsasar 3.6, Mother of God 5.00, one set of four stamps 6
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In the ANS Magazine of 2017, No. 2, a lengthy article was published on OCRE. In this issue the process of making digital editions of ANS publications was described. I wrote a letter to the ANS and asked some questions. My letter was addressed to Mr. Pete van Alfen, the Editor of the *ANS Magazine.* Mr. Andrew Reinhard, Director of Publications, replied to my letter. He was very kind and promptly answered my questions. I would like to share this information with the membership of Armenian Numismatic Society.

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Dear Mr. van Alfen:

I enjoyed reading the Article which was composed by you and your colleagues, "Wishes Granted: The ANS and The NEH." It is a subject close to my heart.

Many years ago, in 1980s, a printer and publisher approached me and asked me if I would let him borrow my old Armenian dictionary (4 volumes and Armenian-Armenian) and reprint it. In return he promised me five copies from the reprinted version. I asked him about the process he is planning to use. He explained that he would cut sheet by sheet from the book and photograph each sheet, prepare masters and then regular printing and binding. I refused to have my original dictionary destroyed.

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Sincerely yours,
Y. T. Nercessian, Secretary

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THE BANK NOTE COLLECTION OF Y. T. NERCESSIAN HAS BEEN SOLD

HISTORY OF THE NERCESSIAN BANK NOTE COLLECTION

In 1968, I started collecting Armenian bank notes on a large scale. I kept an inventory system where I recorded the date purchased, grade, how I much paid, and starting in 1975, the source of sale. Since time was very precious, abbreviations were utilized as much as possible. The collection was formed during a period of thirty years (1968-1997).

My primary sources to procure them were the dealers who attended the coin shows in the Los Angeles area. We have at least three coin shows each year and I tried to attend all of them. I used to stand in front of each dealer and ask if they had Armenian coins or bank notes depending on what that dealer specialized. I tried to purchase all of the bank notes within my financial means in order to have a meaningful corpus in my future book.

Some of the sources of sale I find recorded in my "Inventory Book" include names: Abezgauz Alexander, Amcase, B.K., B.R., D & N Sales, Dange, DeVore, Fugate, Guevrekian Jack, Harsel Len., Henderson William, Hoff Diet., Humphries J., H.R., International Bank Note Society "Fixed Price Lists" and "Auctions," Klein, Lee Gordon, Mevius Numisbooks (deceased), JGH, Pheatt, Rauch B., Regency, Snover Gary, Steinberg Melvin (deceased), UHL, Warmus James, Zeidman. In some cases I have forgotten who they are as well as what these abbreviations mean.

Jack Guevrekian was a coin and bank note dealer and collector. I purchased many notes from him. He had a large collection similar to mine. He trusted me and mailed from New York his entire bank note collection to be included in my book. His bank note collection has been catalogued in the corpus of my book, *Bank Notes of Armenia* (1988). Once he joked and said, I would trust you with my wallet. Jack passed away on July 9, 2008. →

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Alexander Abezgauz was a dealer from Russia, and he made frequent trips to the USSR, purchased Armenian bank notes and sold them to me (e.g., Vagharshapat, Kars, and other rare notes). He used to mail me whatever he had purchased. I have published many of them in the *Armenian Numismatic Journal*. All of these articles have been reprinted in my book, *Armenian Numismatic Studies* (2000). I have not heard from Abezgauz for more than twenty-three years. I suspect that now he is deceased like many of the bank note dealers who used to sell me their Armenian bank notes. Sometimes they sold me entire collections that they had purchased. They all knew me and did not hesitate to send me what they had purchased. All of them trusted me. Y. T. Nercessian

NUMISMATIC LITERATURE TO ARMENIA -- EMAILS

On August 5th, 2017, Davith Basetsyan is flying to Armenia. A box of my book (18 copies), *Armenian Numismatic Studies III* was given to him to take it to you for distribution to the libraries of Armenia. Last time I sent few copies of it. Since then I was feeling guilty… Y. T. Nercessian

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A Cleaned Coin of Tigranes II the Great (95-56 B.C.)

Around thirty years ago, one of the Armenian teachers of my children, from the Armenian Mesrobian School, visited us with a friend who just had arrived in California (from Armenia). She said that he had a coin of Tigranes and wants my opinion about it.

The coin displays the bust of Tigranes with traditional five-pointed Armenian tiara. The reverse is engraved with bearded nude Heracles (Vahagn) standing, head l. Left arm folded holding lion's skin and r. hand leaning on club. Legend to r. downward ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ, to l. downward ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΝ / ΤΙΓΡΑΝΟΥ (of King of Kings Tigranes).

When he showed me the coin, I was totally surprised. It was completely cleaned. So clean that it was shining copper-red like a brand new U.S. one cent. He asked me how much it is worth. My reaction: if you had not cleaned the two thousand year patina, in this VF+ grade, it would bring at least $150; now may be half of that. YTN

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